

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 20 were pending in this application.

Claims 1-6, 8,9, 11-13, 15-17, 19 and 20 were rejected.

Claims 7, 10, 14 and 18 were objected to.

Claims 1, 9, and 15 are amended.

Claims 7, 10 and 18 are deleted.

II. Allowable Matter

The Examiner has indicated that the matter of Claims 7, 10, 14 and 18 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form.

Claim 1 is an independent claim. Claim 7 depends from Claim 1. The matter of Claim 7 has been added to Claim 1 by amendment. Claim 7 was subsequently deleted. Claim 1, as amended, therefore represents the matter of Claim 7 rewritten into independent form.

In view of the Examiner's comments, Claim 1 and its dependent claims are believed to stand in condition for allowance.

Claim 9 is an independent claim. Claim 10 depends from Claim 9. The matter of Claim 10 was added to Claim 9 by amendment. Claim 10 was subsequently deleted. Claim 9, as amended, therefore represents the matter of Claim 10 rewritten into independent form.

In view of the Examiner's comments, Claim 9 and its dependent claims are believed to stand in condition for allowance.

Claim 15 is an independent claim. Claim 18 depends from Claim 15. The matter of Claim 18 was added to Claim 15 by amendment. Claim 18 was subsequently deleted. Claim 15, as amended, therefore represents the matter of Claim 18 rewritten into independent form.

In view of the Examiner's comments, Claim 15 and its dependent claims are believed to stand in condition for allowance.

II. Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12 and 13 for obviousness-type double patenting based upon copending application 11/027,597.

The applicant has filed a terminal disclaimer. The rejection should therefore be withdrawn.

III. SUMMARY

Having fully distinguished the pending claims over the cited art, this application is believed to stand in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner is of the opinion that such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is requested to call the applicant's attorney at (215) 321-6772 in order that any outstanding issues may be resolved without the necessity of issuing a further Office Action.

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